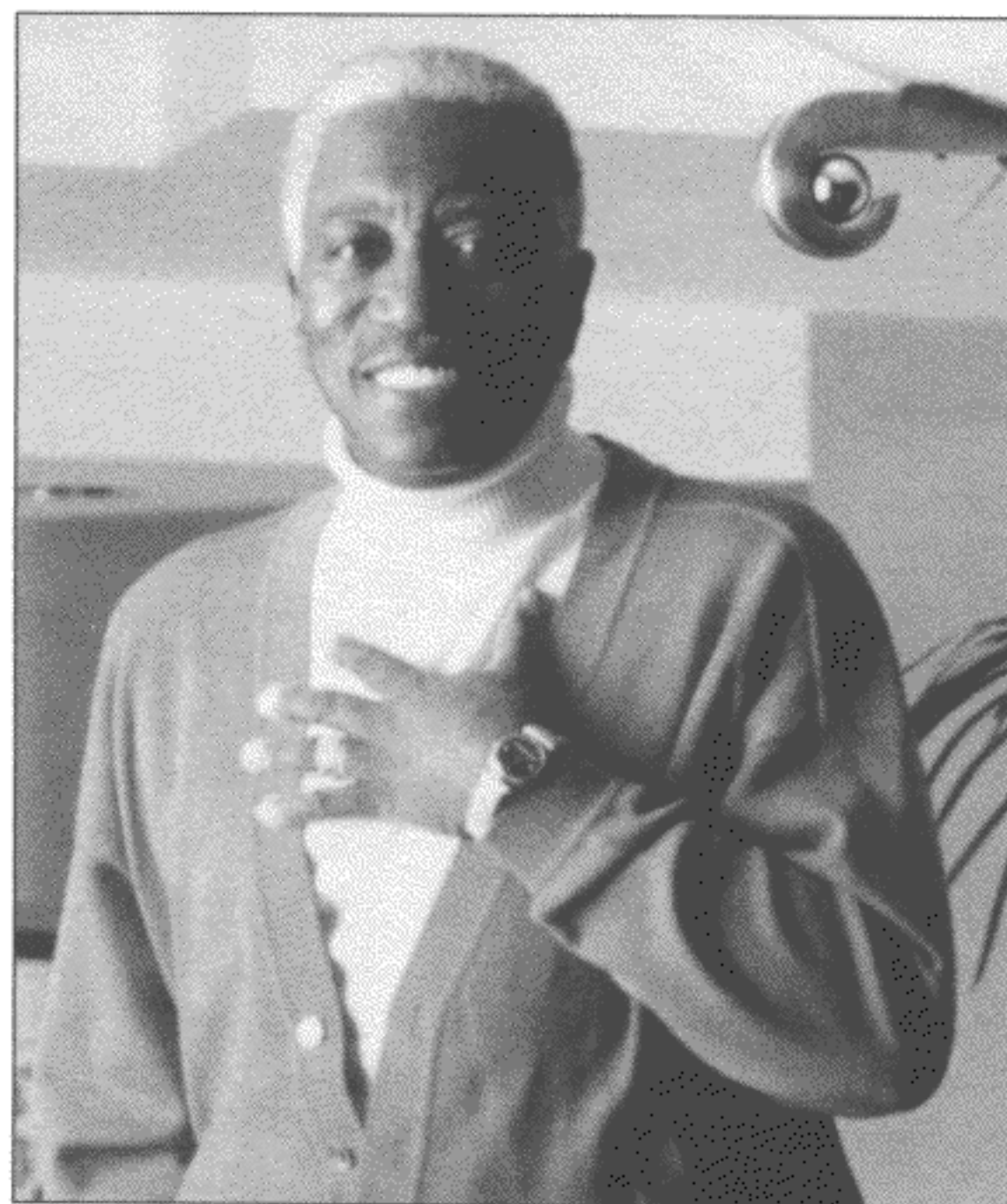


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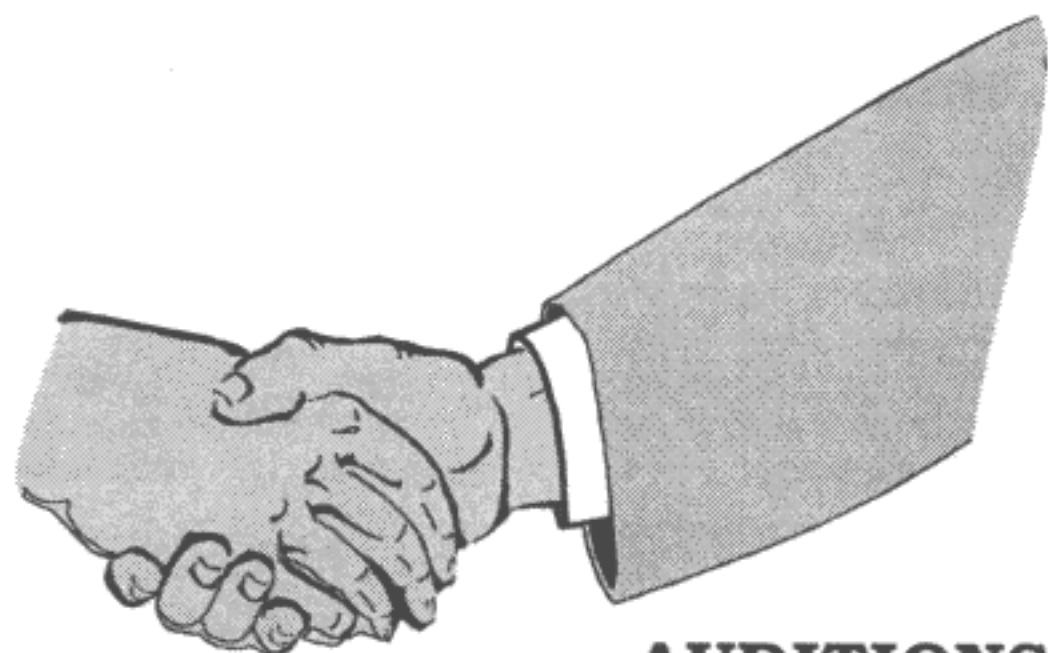
The USAF Band was greatly saddened by the death of jazz legend Joe Williams on March 29 from complications related to a respiratory illness. Mr. Williams began his career as a teenager, singing during the big-band era, but it was not until he joined the Count Basie Band in 1954 that his career skyrocketed. He was celebrated for his smooth, mellow voice, and his 2 ½ octave range was the source of envy among his colleagues. He continued to earn awards and accolades well into the 1990s.

Mr. Williams was a longtime friend of The USAF Band and a fan of and collaborator with The Airmen of Note. It was our great fortune to have him contribute a phenomenal rendition of *America the Beautiful* on The Airmen of Note's 1997 compact disc **Legacy** – now an even more appropriate title when one considers the life of this jazz titan.



Mr. Joe Williams

Personnel Matters



AUDITIONS

The following is a list of upcoming auditions for The United States Air Force Band. Please pass this information on to anyone who might be interested in a career with "America's Band."

Ceremonial Brass:

French Horn
June 15, 1999

Singing Sergeants:

Tenor
June 26, 1999

Concert Band:

Double Bass/Electric Bass
June 26, 1999

For audition consideration and additional information contact:

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To Master Sergeant

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Andrew Axelrad, Airmen of Note
Christine Kosky, Silver Wings
Robert McConnell, Concert Band

A Warm Welcome

TSgt Anne Seaton, Singing Sergeants

A Fond Farewell

MSgt Richard Haering, Airmen of Note, separation
TSgt Kimberly Haering, Singing Sergeants, separation

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